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Growth Rate of Employment
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has fixed the targets for annual growth rate of employment in the country;
(b) if so, the details thereof;
(c) the actual job opportunities created during the last two years and the current year;
(d) whether the annual growth of employment does not commensurate with the growth of economy;
(e) if so, the details thereof; and
(f) the steps taken by the Government to address this issue?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
(SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA)

(a) & (b): The 12th Five Year Plan has fixed target of achieving 1.4 per cent of annual growth rate in employment through increasing employment from 46.86 crore in the beginning of the Plan to 50.24 crore at the end of the Plan period.

(c) to (e): As per results of labour force surveys on employment and unemployment conducted during 2004-05 and 2011-12 by National Sample Survey Office, Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation, estimated employment on usual status basis has increased by 2.31 crore from 45.10 crore during 2004-05 to 47.41 crore during 2011-12, registering an annual growth rate of 0.46 per cent and real Gross Domestic Product (GDP) grew at 8.5 per cent annually during the same period.

(f): The Government implements various employment generation schemes like Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA), Swarna Jayanti Shahri Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY) restructured into National Urban Livelihoods Mission (NULM) since September, 2013, Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY), and Prime Minister"s Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP). In addition, the government is promoting labour-intensive manufacturing and increasing employment opportunities by promoting tourism and agro-based industries.

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